





WASHINGTON, 18th December.  
The United States Minister to Peking reports that the Imperial Bank of Peking began business on October 23rd. The concession was granted to Baron Rauter, and the capital was obtained in England.

Mr. Perrenoud, 18th December.  
The Journal de St. Petersburg considers the fact that Austria permitted the present Bulgarian loan to be effected in Vienna a violation of the Berlin treaty. The loan was negotiated in defiance of anterior claims upon Bulgaria, and the carrying out of its provisions will be tantamount to a seizure of national territory.

BERLIN, 18th December.

Information has been received that an artillery officer and sailor have been arrested at St. Petersburg for complicity in an attempt on the life of the Czar.

MADRID, 13th December.

There has been an explosion in the Kremes mines. Fifteen injured persons have been brought to port. The number of dead is yet unknown.

London, 15th December.

Mrs. Booth, wife of the commander of the Salvation Army, is dying with a cancer. The mangled body of a woman has been found among the ballast of a vessel at Middleborough. The police suspect that this is another victim of "Jack the Ripper," and the presence of the body in the ballast adds to the interest in the theory that the murderer is a sailor.

Robert Browning's new volume came into the world on the day his author was called from it. The post died at an early hour this morning at the Palazzo Rezzonico, Venice, the residence of his son. An amputation in an attack of bronchitis was followed by a relapse complicated by asthma. He had just time to know that his last volume of poetry had received a cordial greeting from his countrymen when the summons came.

We notice that a Grand Prize, the high at award at the Universal Exhibition of 1889, has been obtained by Messrs. Roger & Gallet, of Paris, for the superior quality and elegance of their preparations.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THURSDAY, 9th January.

EXPORT CARGOES.

Steamship Ocean sailed on the 28th December from Yokohama with 300 bags sugar, 1,450 bags flour, 210 cases of tea, 267 bags rice, 195 bags beans, 44 bags sugar, 59 bags pepper, 43 bags tapioca, 200 bags coffee, 1,433 boxes oil, 30 boxes prepared opium, 217 rolls matting, 31 cases silks, 50 packages cassia, 2,060 bales hemp, 20 bales camphor, 155 bales gunnies, and 7,881 packages merchandise. For Honolulu—480 bags beans, 30 bags oil, and 500 packages merchandise. For Ceylon—200 bags gunnies, F. L. Liberties, 5 cases silks. For San José de Guatemala—2 cases silks. For Acapulco—12 cases silks, and 2 cases merchandise. For Paita—Arenas—10 cases silks, and 1 case merchandise. For Panama—100 bags rice, 4 cases silks, and 14 packages merchandise. For Valparaíso—10 cases silks, and 2 cases merchandise. For Guayaquil—10 cases silks, 3 cases of tea, 10 cases merchandise. For Callao—3 cases silks, 10 cases merchandise. For New York—7 cases hats, 14 cases silks, 501 bales raw silk, and 3 cases raw silk.

OPIUM.

Quotations are—  
New Malwa ..... \$520 per picul, ales, of 32 catties.  
Last year's New Malwa ..... \$530 per picul, ales, of 19 to 24 catties.  
Old Malwa ..... \$540 per picul, ales, of 19 to 24 catties.  
Older Malwa ..... \$540 per picul, ales, of 19 to 24 catties.  
British (May) ..... \$574 to \$590 per cwt.  
Pata (O.H.) ..... \$555  
Bamboo (New) ..... \$574

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at demand ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight ..... 3/2.  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/24.  
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/2.  
ON PARIS—  
Bank Bills, at demand ..... 3/5.  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 4/4.  
ON GENEVA—  
Bank Bills, at demand ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight ..... 3/2.  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/24.  
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/2.

ON PABIS—  
Bank Bills, at demand ..... 3/5.  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 4/4.

ON GENEVA—  
Bank Bills, at demand ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight ..... 3/2.  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/24.

ON HONGKONG—  
Bank Bills, at demand ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight ..... 3/2.  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 3/24.

ON CALCUTTA—  
Bank Bills, at demand ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 3/1.  
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight ..... 3/2.

ON SHANGHAI—  
Bank at sight ..... 3/1.  
Bank 30 days sight ..... 3/1.  
Bank 6 months sight ..... 3/1.

SHAKESPEARE—  
Shares ..... 6/5.

SHARES.

Company. Paid up. Quotations.

Banks—  
Hongkong & Shanghai ..... \$125 155 p. c. m., sales  
New Zealand ..... \$100 140  
China ..... \$100 125  
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## INSURANCES.

COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL £2,500,000

INVESTED FUNDS upwards of £2,000,000

ANNUAL NET INCOME £120,000

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to issue POLICIES OF INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

S. STOLTERFORT &amp; HIRST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1889. [1263]

THE INDIAN IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.

G. B. LIVINGSTON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1889. [138]

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877 IN HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

J. ARTHUR MATTHESON &amp; Co., General Manager.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1889. [143]

REUTER, BROCKELMANN &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [145]

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.

S. SIEMSEN &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [145]

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [145]

THE HENRY FIRE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1889. [153]

The Undersigned are now prepared to grant POLICIES OF INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LA PRAIA &amp; Co.

Agents for the Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August. [146]

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

NORTON &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [144]

NORTH BRITISH &amp; MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

RUSSELL &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1889. [192]

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

CAPITAL (SUBSCRIBED), £1,000,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LUM SIN SANG, Eng.

HAN HUP, Eng.

YOW CHONG PENG, Eng.

CHAN LI CHOI, Eng.

Q. HOI CHUNE, Eng.

The Company GRANTS POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, payable at any of its Agencies.

Contributory Dividends are payable to all Contributors of Business, whether they are Shareholders or not.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 2, Queen's Road West, Hongkong, 14th March, 1881. [149]

THE NORI GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant INSURANCES to the extent of £100,000, on first-class risks at current rates.

DUNN, MELBY &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1889. [147]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1870.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

CAPITAL TWO MILLION DOLLARS.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$400,000

RESERVE FUND 650,000

CLAIMS PAID 710,000

BONUSES PAID 400,000

RISKS ACCEPTED AT CURRENT RATES OF PREMIA.

JAS. B. COUGHTERIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1889. [173]

FOR SALE CHEAP.

BELLIOS &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1890. [127]

TO LET.

SPANISH PROCURATION.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1889. [153]

TO BE LET.

DESIRABLE OFFICES &amp; GODOWNS.

No. 13, Praya Central.

STOLTERFORT &amp; HIRST.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1889. [147]

TO LET.

THE PREMIER CHAMPAGNE.

IN BINET, FILS DRY ELITE.

So labelled and branded;

It is shipped to the Hongkong representatives of CUTLER, PALMER &amp; Co., who are M&amp;N. BINET, FILS Agents.

Price, 92s.

TO LET.

VICTORIA ENGLISH SCHOOLS.

WILL RE-OPEN ON WEDNESDAY NEXT, THE 8th INST.

THE HOUSE NO. 10, ARBUTHNOT ROAD, the Residence of the late Hon. Dr. STEWART.

Apply to J. A. DE CARVALHO.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1889. [153]

TO LET.

WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

THE HOUSE NO. 10, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.

The Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

RUSSELL &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1889. [192]

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

A. O'D. GOULDIN, Manager.

Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., (Ed.)

Hongkong, 21st November, 1889. [150]

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